

THE ELMIRA INVESTIGATION.

DAMAGING TESTIMONY AS TO THE MANAGEMENT OF THE REFORMATORY.

Elmira, N. Y., July 24.—The Reformatory investigation was resumed this morning with Judge Learned, the chairman of the committee, and Fred C. Burton, counsel for the prosecution, before the first witness was Thomas Doherty, at present a convict in Auburn State Prison. He had been transferred temporarily to the Reformatory for the purpose of obtaining his testimony. He said he had been an inmate of the Reformatory and had been paroled in June, 1882. Doherty said he was falsely charged with immorality and was transferred to Auburn in January, 1883, to serve out the maximum term for his original offence, which was burglary. The witness declared that he was transferred to Auburn without a trial and without being confronted with his accusers, who, he said, was one of the lowest inmates of the Reformatory. On cross-examination by William M. Ivins, the witness said he had struck a number of inmates for impudence and other reasons and did not understand that there was any rule against it. He said he had never seen Superintendent Brockway strike inmates.

The second witness, James Crumbley, an inmate of the Reformatory, who was transferred to State Prison and transferred to the Reformatory at the request of Superintendent Brockway, said that he had never seen an officer of the Reformatory strike anyone except in self-defense.

The next witness was a young man who was an inmate of the Reformatory, who now holds a position which said he would lose if his name was published. The witness said that it was on his testimony that inmates were transferred to Auburn, and that he was compelled to give the testimony, which was false.

The witness described the proceedings at the semi-martial trial, which he said he at first denied all knowledge in the face of Colonel Brydges and Clark Hopper. He was then turned over to Captain Stewart, who took him to the bathroom to have the truth brought out of him. The witness said that he had never been flogged, and that he was in a weak condition and could not stand it. He was sentenced to the crimes which he says he did not commit and implicated other inmates and keepers, in order to save himself from the flogging. He was then sent to Auburn State Prison. Last May he was pardoned by Governor Livermore, to whom the case was presented by the boy's mother, and State Senator Culver.

The next witness was Frank Wallace, at present an inmate of Auburn prison.

He gave the name and address of the Reformatory, who sentenced Wallace to the prison.

He took up this morning the legal writings and inscriptions of the Reformatory, and said he has made up his interpretation of them.

Wallace said he was taken to the door for seven days, and then confined in the rest cure for two weeks, and on March 2, 1883, was transferred to State Prison to serve out the maximum term for his offense of five years.

Wallace, another inmate of the Reformatory, who succeeded in the witness-chair by Judge Stewart, who sentenced Wallace to the Reformatory. He also told of the prosecution to show that it was in the mind of the Court to give him a short confinement, and that he went to Elmira for that purpose.

William Facy, another inmate of the Reformatory, who was transferred to Auburn, described his experiences, and said he was summoned before the court-martial at the time of the trial, and was told to admit the charges, and was then taken to the scaffold with his dad, and told him to admit the truth of the charges or he would be hung. Facy said he was taken to the court, and refused to make admissions. He was then taken to the bathroom, and received fifteen or twenty blows, and again taken to the scaffold and refused to admit the charges. He again refused, and was paddled a second time, receiving about sixteen blows. He again refused to admit the charges, and was paddled the third time. After receiving two blows he said he faints, and until he was fainted, struck, struck, and fainted, until he was fainted. When he recovered he admitted the charges, and gave the testimony required, implicating other inmates, which he now declares was false.

At 6 o'clock the hearing was adjourned until to-morrow.

LING'S DAUGHTERS IN CONVENTION.

THEIR ANNUAL GATHERING HELD AT OCEAN GROVE—THOUSANDS IN ATTENDANCE.

Ocean Grove, N. J., July 24 (Special).—The annual convention of the International Order of King's Daughters and Sons was held here today. The delegates came in by hundreds on the regular train and on special excursions from New-York, Philadelphia and the cities of New-Jersey. The Temple was decorated in purple and flowers and the King's Daughters' banners and great silver cross in honor of the convention. Mrs. Hannah Calens, corresponding secretary of the order in New-Jersey, presided at the morning session. Mrs. Isabella Charles Davis made the opening prayer and read the Scripture lesson. President E. H. Stokes delivered the address of welcome. Mrs. Margaret Shome, the president of the order, was not present owing to the recent death of her husband, the Rev. Dr. Francis Bottome. She sent her annual address, however, and it was read by Mrs. Davis. A program of sympathy and condolence was sent from the convention to Dr. Bottome.

Mr. and Mrs. George S. Cairns, of Boston, a touching address on the life and death of Dr. Bottome. Mrs. Cairns spoke on "Home Study Work."

Mrs. Davis gave an account of the Silver Cross Society, which consists of men who shovels the coal on ocean steamers and wear a silver cross and a little silver shovel. Mrs. J. Simmons, of Connecticut, read an interesting paper on "The Work of the Daughters of the American Revolution." Mrs. Kaine of New-York, read a paper written by Mrs. Louise McMorrow, chairman of the St. Christopher Chapter of New-York, on the work of the Knights of Columbus.

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